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Mr. Paul Newman

**Arizona Corporation Commissioner** 

1200 West Washington

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Dear Mr. Newman

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After hearing that our new President Obama has frozen salaries of his staffers, I thought that this is another cost cutting measure that utilities regulated by you should at least consider if not a 5% to 10% pay cut. I have also read where some companies are reducing their contributions to employee 401K plans. Utilities may look reducing costs here as well to the extent the law allows.

As I stated in my previous letter, rate increases in these economic times are not necessarily the right answer. Cost cutting measures should be fully explored prior to any rate increases. And by cost cutting, I do not mean the window dressing kind like travel reduction, I mean the tough, painful, cost cutting kind.

Sincerely, Denns I Hacker

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## ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION

January 28, 2009

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Dear Mr. Hacker:

Thank you for your letter about cost cutting at utilities.

Late last year, in a decision, the Commission ordered \$20 million in such cuts from Arizona Public Service.

I have entered your letter as part of the rate case docket for the Arizona Public Service case currently before the Commission.

Thank you for your interest.

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Paul Newman Commissioner